# IASH 2000, the 7th International Conference on Stability and Handling of Liquid Fuels Graz, Austria September 24-29, 2000

#### **General Information**

*Graz, Austria's Queen of Hearts*, Few can escape being inspired by Graz. Perhaps this explains why Austria's cultural powerhouse has brought forth more writers, painters, musicians, architects and conductors than any other European city of comparable size. The Old Town is one of Europe's most beautiful and best preserved. Its history began some 900 years ago and during its heyday served as the residence of the Hapsburg monarchy in Medieval and Renaissance times. The city on the Mur River is home to three renowned universities: 400-year-old Graz University, the Technical University and the Academy of Music and the Performing Arts. The jazz academy also has an international reputation.

Start your day at an outdoor cafe with a steaming *Mocca* or *Melange* and slice of delicious raisin-studded Guglhufp. Linger and watch the town wake up. Then it is off shopping. Austrian craftmanship and taste make the temptations endless. A dirndl dress or a fashionable Loden coat make very special souvenirs. Exquisite figurines and china have been handmade by Augarten for well over two centuries. Bring back a bottle of fine Austrian wine, or a *Sachertorte* lovingly packed in a wooden box. Don't miss the flea markets where you can have fun hunting for that really unique find. Browse through the antique shops and galleries lining the back streets. In the evening take in a concert, or explore romantic squares and lanes at twilight and drop into a cozy inn for a glass of wine or dinner. Want something more elegant? A night at the opera or a glittering casino would do.

#### Venue

The conference will be held at the Graz Convention Center, which is in the heart of the Old Town. It is within a short walking distance from two of the host hotels and on the trolley line from the other.

# **Air Transportation**

A ticket with Austrian Airlines serves as your invitation to Austria. They have been selected as the official air carrier for the conference. A special discount is being offered. In the US, please contact Conferences International at 1-800-221-8747, and mention Code No: ICSH0/OSCN. Outside of the North America, please call your local Austrian Airlines sales office, or your travel agent. Give them the IASH Conference Code number and advise them you are attending the International Conference on Stability and Handling of Liquid Fuels. From the US you can fly direct to Vienna and connect to Graz on Tyrolean Airways, their sister airline. Austrian

Airlines also code shares with United Air Lines and Lufthansa Airlines. Graz is also served directly from many major European cities.

# By Train

Convenient direct Intercity rail links or connections with all major Austrian and European destinations are available. It is a beautiful 2:35 train ride from Vienna to Graz. Go first class for only 520 ATS.

# By Car

Graz is ideally located at the hub of Central Europe's road network. Vienna is less than a 2-hour drive from Graz, and Venice, Munich, Ljubljana, Bratislava, Zagreb, and Budapest are all within about four hours' drive away.

Parking is available near the Parkhotel at no charge,

and at the Grand Hotel Wiesler and Das Weitzer at a minimal fee.

## Registration

The registration fee of \$550 (\$600 after August 15, 2000) is **payable in US dollars** by either Eurocard/Mastercard or Visa-Card, or by check to "Coordinating Research Council." This fee includes all program materials, attendance at social programs, lunch each day Monday through Thursday for conference attendees, the gala banquet dinner, one set of the Conference Proceedings, and Membership in IASH for the next triennium. The fee does not include the cost of hotel accommodations, transportation, or the guest tours.

The Conference Registration Form should be filled out, and along with payment, sent by mail or fax to Coordinating Research Council, 3650 Mansell Road, Suite 140, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022-8246 USA - Fax: (678) 795-0509.

#### **Hotel Accommodations**

A block of rooms has been reserved at three hotels in Graz: Grand Hotel Wiesler (5\*), Das Weitzer (4\*), and the Romantik Parkhotel (4\*). The first two hotels listed are next to each other and are within 5 minutes walking distance of the Graz Convention Center. The third hotel listed is a 15-minute trolley ride from the Convention Center. Breakfast is included at all hotels

Rates vary from 1,230- 2,000 ATS single to 1,600-2,490 ATS double. The exchange rate in March 2000 was US\$1 = 14 ATS (Austrian Schillings). Hotel reservations must be made directly with Graz Tourismus, Kaiserfeldgasse 15, A-8010 Graz, Austria - Fax: +43/316/80 75-55.

# **Climate and Clothing**

In late September, the daily temperature ranges from approximately 10-15EC (50-60EF). Medium-weight clothing is recommended, together with a warm jacket for the evenings. There is a chance of rain so be sure to bring an umbrella. Comfortable walking shoes are a must for sightseeing and generally getting around the Old Town in Graz. Business

casual is the acceptable attire for attendance at the technical meetings; jackets and ties are optional.

For the Sunday and Monday receptions, jackets and ties are suggested. For the Wednesday evening banquet, cocktail attire is acceptable.

## **Guest Program**

Optional tours for family members and guests of delegates are described in the Guest Program enclosure. There will be a *Highlights of Graz* walking tour for guests on Monday to acquaint them with the city. This tour is sponsored by the conference.

## **Social Programs**

A welcoming reception for all attendees and their guests will be held from 4:00 to 8:00 PM Sunday evening. It will begin with registration at the Graz Convention Center at 4:00 PM and the delegates will then be escorted to the Governor's House for a Welcome Reception beginning at 6:00 PM. On Monday evening, there will be a "wine and cheese" reception to view the poster presentations and technical exhibits. On Wednesday evening, there will be a banquet in the magnificent Stefanien Hall.

#### **Further Information**

For further information, please contact: Mrs. Shirley Bradicich

Conference Secretary
Coordinating Research Council

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# **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**

Please type or print clearly

Full Family Name: (Dr./Mr./Ms./O	Other):
First or Familiar Name for Inclusion	on on Badge:
Affiliation:	
Mailing Address:	
City:	State/Province:
Country:	Zip/Postal Code:
Telephone:	Telefax:
E-Mail:	
Name(s) of accompanying guests:	
Please reserve additional tic	eket(s) for the banquet on September 27, 2000.
Dietary restrictions or other specia	
Conference Registration Fee:	US\$550.00 prior to August 15, 2000.
	US\$600.00 on or after August 15, 2000.
reception; lunch each day, and morning and delegates; one ticket for the banquet Wednesda IASH for the next triennium. Additional ticket	rials; admission to the technical sessions; the Sunday evening welcome afternoon beverage breaks each day Monday through Thursday for y evening; one set of the conference proceedings, and membership in s for the banquet are free, but must be reserved.  s received by CRC no later than August 15, 2000.
Return this registration form with a check pay AND MAIL/FAX TO:	vable to "CRC" or by Eurocard/MasterCard or Visa-Card
Mrs. Shirley Bradicich Conference Secretary Coordinating Research Council, Inc.	Credit Card No Expiry Date:
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# HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

Family Name:	First	st Name:
Address:		
Tel:	Fax:	E-mail:
Listed prices are in Austr (Note: As of March 2000,		, per night and include all taxes and a full buffet breakfa
Please indicate below first a	and second choice of hotel	category:
Grandhotel Wiesler (5*)	Single or Double	2.000,- ATS
(5-min. walking distance	Junior Suite	3.150,- ATS
to Convention Centre)	Suite	3.500,- ATS
Das Weitzer (4*)	Business Single	1.630,- ATS
(5-min. Walking distance	Business Double	2.170,- ATS
to Convention Centre)	Superior Single	1.830,- ATS
	Superior Double	2.490,- ATS
	Junior Suite	3.130,- ATS
	Suite	5.230,- ATS
•	smaller room with shower larger room with bathtub	
Romantik Parkhotel (4*)	Single	1.230,- ATS
(15-min. Trolly ride to Convention Center)	Double	1.600,- ATS
Special Requests:		
I shall arrive by:	Private Car	Train Airplane
Arrival Date:	Time:	Departure Date:
Cancellation Terms (Can	cellation should be made	in writing to Graz Tourismus.)
C Without Penalty	- Up to 8 days befor	e date of arrival
	omnights - As of 7 da	
C 100% of reserved i	roomnights - No show,	no written cancellation
		d Diners Club American Express
Credit Card Number:		Expiry Date:

Please mail/send by fax or e-mail this accommodation form to the following address:

Graz Tourismus, Kaiserfeldgasse 15, A-8010 Graz, AUSTRIA

Tel: +43/316/80 75-58 Fax: +43/316/80 75-55

E-Mail: bm@graztourismus.at **OR** http://www.graztourismus.at

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#### **GUEST TOURS**

The Old Town and a Bit More Monday - 2.5 Hours 10:00 - 12:30 hours (No Charge)

Highlights of Graz, guided in a special way, walking through Old Town Graz and learning the history. Includes guide, 24h ticket for public transport, and lunch at Altsteirische Schmankerlstube with one drink.

Castle of Herberstein Tuesday - 4 Hours 09:00 - 13:00 hours (ATS 415 with 20 participants)

This East Styrian jewel unites the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque styles. The magnificent Knight's Hall and the Italian-inspired Florentine Court are vibrant examples of the importance of the Herberstein family. Also includes a tour of the Haberstein Zoo and Nature Park with approximately 600 animals from five continents.

International Garden Show 2000 "The Magic Gardens" Wednesday - Time TBD (ATS 190 single; ATS 150 group of 15)

Free shuttle with transfers from City Center or Main Station to the Schwarzl Leisure Centre in Unterpremstatten. Spectacular gardens and flowers, and an abundance of interesting information about nature and gardens. There are be four theme gardens -- Field Garden, Flower Garden, Mountain Garden, and Pheasant Garden. A group tour at ATS 150 per person will be planned if there are 15 people interested in going.

A Host of Age-Old Farmyards from Austria Thursday 4-5 Hours 10:00 - 13:00 Hours (ATS 550 with 20 participants)

Via coach to the open-air museum in Stubing, where you can marvel at more than 80 original farm buildings from all over Austria. And there is more to see on the trip back to Graz when you visit the Gothic pilgrimage church at Maria Strassengel. Includes lunch.

A Noon Taste of the Styrian Wine Country Friday - 6 Hours (For all Attendees) 10:00 - 18:00 Hours (ATS 550 with 50 participants)

Serene landscapes replete with luscious meadows. And tucked away ... the juicy grapes ripening on the vine. White wine and dark pumpkin oil made on the farm, and much more! Here, grow the finest grapes of the region. This is an excursion about all things wine and Styrian specialties. Tasting wines, having lunch at a traditional Restaurant at the wine road and a hearty *Brettljause* in a traditional *Buschenschank* in the afternoon.

All attendees are invited to attend this tour, which will include lunch at a traditional restaurant

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For a pre- or post-conference tour of Vienna, please contact Bettina Mayer of Graz Tourismus. (bm@graztourismus.at)

Return Tours Form to Graz Tourismus, along with payment. Payment must be made in advance to ensure there are enough people to plan a group tour. If fewer than the minimum sign up, the tour may be cancelled.

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## TOURS RESERVATION FORM

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Family Name:	Fax:		First Name: E-mail:					
Listed prices are in Austrian Schillings. (Note: As of March 2000, 14 ATS = US\$1.00.)								
		Price Per Person	Number of Persons	Total ATS				
Monday, Sept. 25th	The Old Town Tour	NC_						
Tuesday, Sept. 26th	Castle of Herberstein	415						
Wednesday, Sept. 27th	Int'l Garden Show	190		Pay on Site				
Thursday, Sept. 28th	Age-Old Farmyards	550						
Friday, Sept. 29th	Styrian Wine Country	550						
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE								
Payments for tours must be in advance and can be made by Credit Card:								
Eurocard/Ma	astercard Visa-Card	Diners Club	American	Express				
Credit Card Number:		Expiry Date:						
Cardholder=s Name:		_ Signature:						

Or by bank transfer to: Steiermarkische Bank, Hauptanstalt, A-8010 Graz, Austria, Bank Code: 20815, Account No. 0000-206003

Cancellation of tours should be made in writing to Graz Tourismus

#### Please mail/send by fax or e-mail this Guest Tour form to the following address:

Graz Tourismus, Kaiserfeldgasse 15, A-8010 Graz, AUSTRIA

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